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In re Application of:

Theodore M. Taylor

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RELEASABLE SUBPAD SECURING
ELEMENT AND POLISHING
APPARATUS INCLUDING THE SUBPAD
SUPPORT (Amended)

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This communication is in response to the Final Office Action dated October 23, 2003, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on January 23, 2004. This communication is being submitted within two months of the mailing date of the Final Office Action.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which starts at page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.